



General Assembly

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Referred to Committee on Education

Introduced by:
(ED)

***AN ACT CONCERNING ATHLETIC DIRECTORS AND
INCORPORATING PHYSICAL ACTIVITY INTO THE SCHOOL DAY.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2012*) (a) Whenever used in this
2 section and section 2 of this act:

3 (1) "Athletic director" means an individual responsible for
4 administering the athletic program of a school or a school district
5 under the jurisdiction of a local or regional board of education, and
6 who is responsible for the supervision of athletic coaches.

7 (2) "Athletic coach" means any person holding a coaching permit
8 issued by the State Board of Education who is hired by a local or
9 regional board of education to coach for a sport season.

10 (3) "School professional" means any school teacher, administrator or
11 other personnel certified by the State Board of Education pursuant to
12 section 10-145b of the general statutes.

13 (b) Subject to the provisions of subsection (c) of this section, on and
14 after July 1, 2012, any person hired by a local or regional board of

15 education to serve as an athletic director for a school or a school
16 district shall hold (1) a certificate issued by the State Board of
17 Education pursuant to section 10-145b of the general statutes, (2) a
18 coaching permit issued by the State Board of Education, or (3) an
19 athletic administrator permit issued by the State Board of Education,
20 pursuant to section 2 of this act.

21 (c) Any athletic director responsible for the evaluation of any school
22 professional shall hold a certificate issued by the State Board of
23 Education, pursuant to section 10-145b of the general statutes, in the
24 certification endorsement area of intermediate administration and
25 supervision.

26 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2012*) The State Board of Education
27 shall issue an athletic administrator permit to any person who was
28 employed as an athletic director by a local or regional board of
29 education prior to July 1, 2012.

30 Sec. 3. Section 10-221o of the general statutes is repealed and the
31 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2012*):

32 Each local and regional board of education shall require each school
33 under its jurisdiction to (1) offer all full day students a daily lunch
34 period of not less than twenty minutes, and (2) include in the regular
35 school day for each student enrolled in grades kindergarten to five,
36 inclusive, a period of physical exercise of not less than twenty minutes,
37 except that a planning and placement team may develop a different
38 schedule for a child requiring special education and related services in
39 accordance with chapter 164 and the Individuals With Disabilities
40 Education Act, 20 USC 1400 et seq., as amended from time to time. In
41 the event of a conflict with this section and any provision of chapter
42 164, such other provision of chapter 164 shall be deemed controlling.

<p>This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:</p>
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Section 1	<i>July 1, 2012</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2012</i>	New section
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2012</i>	10-221o

Statement of Purpose:

To require persons employed as athletic directors to hold appropriate certification and to require at least twenty minutes of physical exercise per school day for students in grades kindergarten to five, inclusive.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]